

WPC

The World Pre-Health Conference

World Pre-Health Conference 2024 **Financial Aid Policies**

For inquiries, president@worldprehealthconference.org

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Purpose

When the total resources a student can provide do not meet the total expenses required, WPC will do as much as possible to assist. A confidential financial aid package will be curated and offered to the student based on individual needs and circumstances without regard to age, sex, race, color, religion, national origin, disability, etc.

These policies and procedures are designed to establish a proper and consistent guide for WPC's financial aid program in decisions and actions.

Goal

The primary goal is to provide financial assistance to prospective attendees, who, without aid, would be unable to attend the conference. The financial aid program is administered to allow students the opportunity for further education and experience.

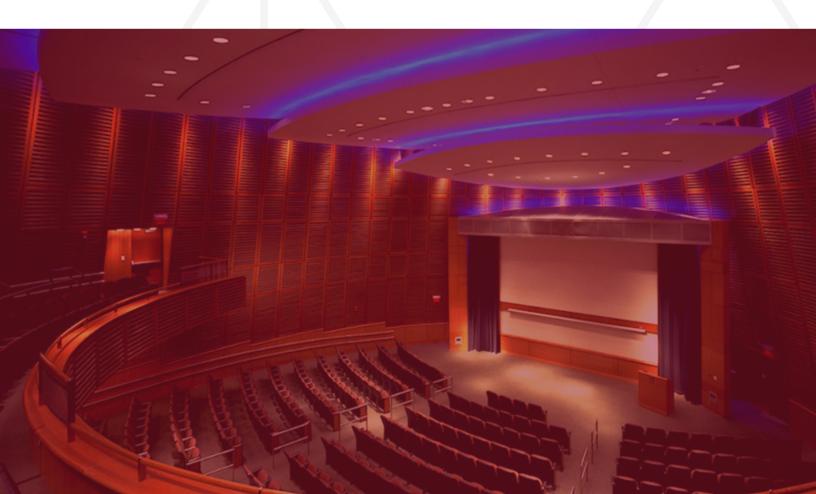
Financial Aid Mission

WPC believes that an equitable approach to financial aid will allow students to attend the conference who may not otherwise have the financial resources to do so, thus encouraging a cultural, economically, socially, and geographically diverse attendee body.

Code of Conduct

All WPC members involved in financial aid are expected to always maintain exemplary standards of professional conduct, especially when dealing with any entities involved in student financial aid. In doing so, they are bound to the following expectations:

- Refrain from taking any action for personal benefit.
- Remain accurate, unbiased, and impartial.
- Maintain objectivity when making any decisions regarding student financial aid.
- No disclosure of any information pertaining to any entity involved in any aspect of financial aid.



Confidentiality of Records

All records and conversations between an aid applicant and the WPC Financial Aid team are confidential. Any relevant documents and records will not be shared beyond internal discussion to determine financial aid eligibility.

Policies and Practices

- Harvard Undergraduate World Pre-Health Conference reserves the right to review and cancel an award at any time because of changes in financial or academic status.
- Any change in name, address, or attendance status must be reported.
- Most financial aid awards are based on a student's financial need determined by any information provided in the applicant's financial aid form.
- Financial aid is awarded contingent upon review by the entire WPC Financial Aid team.
- Financial aid recipients are expected to review their financial aid package and either register or withdraw their application by the given deadline.

Direct Costs to the Attendees

Room, board, and transportation are not covered by the WPC Financial Aid team at this time. Conference fees alone are eligible for aid.

Exclusions

Listed below are certain circumstances where students may not have complete verification. The WPC financial aid team will identify and document in the aid folder why the student is not required to complete verification:

- Incarceration
- Recent immigrant
- Spouse unavailable
- Parents unavailable

Determination of Total Funds to be Awarded:

Includes an evaluation and projection of available funds and administrative expenses. Careful projections are made to enable the financial aid office staff to offer fair and equitable packages to students.

Procedure for Fraud

If there is found to be intentional misrepresentation, false statements, or alteration of documents, the applicant's financial aid process will be halted. After further investigation and review, disbursement of funds may be suspended and the student may be restricted from attending the conference.

Verification

The WPC Financial Aid team will undergo the process of confirming the accuracy of student reported data on financial aid applications. Students may be asked to provide additional information if further investigation is needed to resolve a discrepancy.

Students will be notified that the majority of financial aid funds are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis for the online conference. Missing items must be submitted as quickly as possible once requested, or additional processing of their file is not possible, and no financial aid will be awarded or disbursed.

Award Letter and Acceptance of Aid

Students receive notice of financial aid via email. Students are required to accept or decline aid within one week of receiving their package.



Payment Information

Please pay attention to the bolded information, and email **finance@worldprehealthconference.org** if you have any questions. Before proceeding with payment, make sure to refer to your acceptance email and/or financial aid letter to know exactly how much to send. It is critical to pay your fee exactly because any insufficient/incorrect payments are not recognized by our cross checking system and may cause your conference registration to be delayed/incomplete.

WPC Payment Details

WPC Venmo: @HUWPC WPC Zelle: <u>finance@worldprehealthconference.org</u>

Preferred Payment Method

Zelle is a great way to send and receive money. It is already integrated in a lot of banking apps (otherwise, you can download the Zelle app).

- Check if your bank or credit union offers Zelle using <u>zellepay.com</u>: If your bank/credit union does offer Zelle, go to their website or mobile app and enroll with your email or mobile phone number. Otherwise, download the Zelle app, enroll with your email or mobile phone number, and enter the debit card you want to use.
- Click "send" and enter the recipient: You can enter an email or phone number to find a person/group. Make sure you are entering the information correctly in order to ensure you are sending it to the right recipient.
- Choose an amount to send: There will be space to enter the amount you want to send.
- When you click "continue," there will be space to write a short memo. **ENTER YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME IN THE SPACE FOR THE DETAILS/INFORMATION/ MESSAGE PART OF THE PAYMENT.**
- Click "send": This will send your money. You should receive a confirmation email that the payment has been made.

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Secondary Payment Method

Venmo is an easy way to send and receive money. It is meant to be used on a mobile device (like a phone) or a computer. You can send money through Venmo with the following steps:

- Set up an account: You will be asked to provide information (like your name, phone number, etc.). You will need to link your Venmo with a bank account or card in order to send money.
- Click the "Pay or Request" button at the bottom of the screen: This button will be blue.
- Search and add the person you want to pay: You can scan a Venmo QR code, enter an email or phone number, or identify by username. Make sure you have selected the correct person/group to Venmo.
- Choose an amount to send: There will be space to enter the amount you want to send. Send either the full amount of the conference fees for your registration deadline or the amount indicated in your financial aid package if you applied. If you were denied financial aid, pay the full conference fee.
- ENTER YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME IN THE SPACE FOR THE DETAILS/INFORMATION/MESSAGE PART OF THE PAYMENT.
- Tap "pay": This will send your money. You should receive a confirmation email that the payment has been made.

